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SUBJECT: VISIT OF SECRETARY GENERAL OF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

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1. DR. PAULO ROMANO, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (EQUALENT TO DEPUTY SECRETARY) WILL BE IN WASHINGTON MARCH 13-18. BASIC PURPOSE OF HIS VISIT IS TO ATTEND PAN AMERICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION MINISTERIAL LEVEL AFTOSA MEETING MAR 14-17.

2. DR. ROMANO HAS ASKED AGATT TO ARRANGE MEETINGS WITH APPROPRIATE USDA OFFICIALS FRIDAY MARCH 18. AGATT SUGGESTS APPOINTMENTS WITH SECRETARY BERGLAND, ASST SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND COMMODITY PROGRAMS, AND FAS ADMINISTRATOR HUME. WE ALSO SUGGEST A LUNCHEON HOSTED BY SECRETARY BERGLAND OR ASSTANT SECRETARY.

3. DR. ROMANO REPRESENTED MINAG PAULINELLI AT THE INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR AGRICULTURE SCIENCES SEMINAR IN WASHINGTON IN MAY 1976. HE MET WITH A NUMBER OF USDA OFFICIALS AT THAT TIME. BIO SKETCH CONTAINED TOFAS 108 DATED  
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4. AGATT INFORMED DR. ROMANO THAT THE AMERICAN SOYBEAN ASSN. BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL BE IN WASHINGTON MARCH 18 AND ALSO WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO MEET WITH HIM. HE WILL PROVIDE AGATT HIS RESPONSE TO THIS INVITATION WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

5. AGATT WILL CABLE SPECIFIC TIOPICS DR. ROMANO WISHES TO  
DISCUSS WITH USDA OFFICIALS AS WE OBTAIN MORE INFOMATION.

6. ROMANO UNDERSTANDS ENGLISH RATHER WELL BUT SPEAKS LITTLE  
ENGLISH. USDA SHOULD PROVIDE AN INTERPRETER FOR THE MAR 18  
MEETINGS.  
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